

# Buzz Aldrin's famous 1969 moon walk picture sells at auction

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More than 70 original NASA photographs including a celebrated image of Buzz Aldrin's moon walk taken by Neil Armstrong were sold at auction in Copenhagen on Wednesday for more than 155,000 euros (\$172,000).

The Aldrin image, which fetched 5,373 euros, shows the astronaut on the surface of the [moon](#) in July 1969 during the first manned lunar landing. It was famously used on the cover of LIFE magazine.

Armstrong, the first man to step onto the Moon, can be seen in the reflection of Aldrin's visor.

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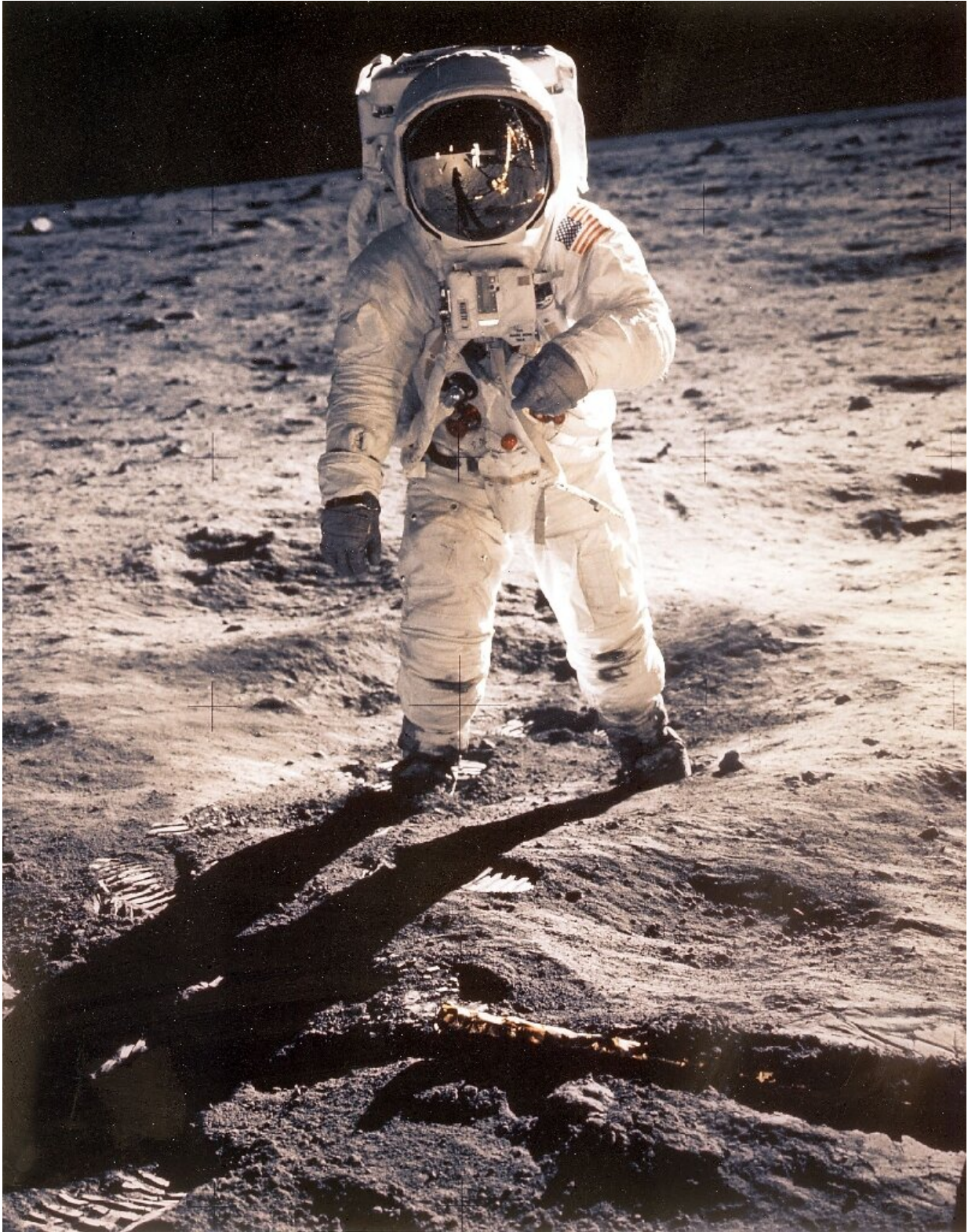
"We sold 73 of the 74 photos," the Bruun Rasmussen auction house told AFP.

Put up for sale by a foreign collector who has asked to remain anonymous, the auction house had estimated the collection at almost 190,000 euros.

The most valuable item, the first shot of an "Earthrise" photographed by US astronaut William Anders while orbiting the Moon in December 1968 on Apollo 8, sold for 11,800 euros.

The last time man set foot on the Moon was in 1972 during the Apollo

17 mission, but NASA is planning to send astronauts again in 2025-2026.



Each photograph is up for sale individually.

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